ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF THE AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION (RI) REPORT FOR THE TONTO AND CHERRY WATER QUALITY ASSURANCE REVOLVING FUND (WOARF) REGISTRY SITE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the State of Arizona, ex rel., Stephen A. Owens, Director, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has completed the final remedial investigation (RI) report for the Tonto and Cherry WQARF site in Payson, Arizona (A.A.C. R18-16-406(J)). An RI report is prepared to identify the nature, extent, and sources of contaminated soil and waters of the state; identify current and potential impacts to public health, welfare and the environment; identify present and reasonably foreseeable uses of land and waters of the state; and obtain and evaluate any other information necessary for identification and comparison of alternative remedial actions. The final RI report includes the final remedial objectives report and responsiveness summaries regarding comments, issues and concerns raised during the community involvement process.

The Tonto and Cherry site is bounded approximately 150 feet from Colcord Road just north of Frontier Street. The site boundary is a northwest-trending area from the intersection of Colcord Road and Frontier Street. The site boundaries provide the estimated extent of currently known contamination.

The Tonto and Cherry site was placed on the WQARF Registry in April 2000. The score of this site is 45 out of a possible 120 points. The scoring of a site, its relative score, or its placement on the Registry does not necessarily represent a determination that the release of a hazardous substance from the site poses a threat to human health or welfare of the environment.

A copy of the final RI report is available at the Payson Public Library located at 328 North McLane Road in Payson, (928) 474-9260. A copy is also available at the ADEQ office located at 1110 W. Washington, Phoenix, (602) 771-4380. Files are available for review Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Questions regarding the final RI report should be directed to: Wendy Flood, Community Involvement Coordinator, (800) 234-5677, Ext. 7714410 or Chris Gamache Project Manager, (800) 234-5677, Ext. 7714176, ADEQ, 1110 W. Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

Dated this 1st day of June, 2007 Stephen A. Owens, Director Arizona Department of Environmental Quality